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LETTER DATED 25 JULY 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you that United States aircraft continue to violate Iraqi airspace, as follows:

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1. American air activity inside Iraqi airspace on 22/23 July 1991 amounted to 19 sorties flown by 9 two-aircraft formations and one single aircraft at speeds of 650 to 720 kilometres per hour and at altitudes ranging from 4,000 to 4,500 metres.

2. Air activity centred over Mosul, Arbil and Dohuk, for the purpose of observation and provocation.

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1. American air activity inside Iraqi airspace on 23/24 July 1991 amounted to 34 sorties flown by 12 two-aircraft formations, 2 three-aircraft formations and four single aircraft at speeds of 600 to 950 kilometres per hour and at altitudes ranging from 3,000 to 8,500 metres.

2. Air activity centred over Arbil, Mosul, Dohuk, Amadiyah and north of Rawanduz, for the purpose of observation and provocation, achieved by ejecting flares and breaking the sound barrier over the area east and north of Arbil.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
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